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Mr. Larson--

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Div. of Oil, Gas & Mining

The Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act recognizes the importance of a mining industry but sets certain standards by which the mining must be done. The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining has reviewed the mining and reclamation plan for the PR Springs mine and believes the proposed mining operation can take place within the performance standards set by the Act.

It is important to recognize that this operation will be substantially different than those in Canada. There will be no tailings ponds, no toxic chemicals, and a relatively small amount of water will be used. The operation does, of course, entail land disturbance, but it should be possible to reclaim the land with no long term negative effects.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the operation.

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>>> "Karl Larson" <<u>solarmon@frontiernet.net</u>> 4/7/2010 9:54 AM >>> NO, NO, NO, NO

This is a disaster for Utah, and we already have enough of those

Karl Larson